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Nov. 10 Project Mexico auction to raise funds for residents in Tijuana, Tecate

Successful program has strengthened community relations as well



The Project Mexico team spends January break working with Tijuana and Tecate residents. photo courtesy Center for Values and Service

by Michael Kelly
Special to the Greyhound

Each November, the Project Mexico team invites student, faculty, alumni and friends to the annual Project Mexico Auction.

This year's auction will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 10 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. in McGuire Hall. In

the last 10 years, Project Mexico has contributed nearly \$100,000 to the border communities of Tecate and Tijuana.

While the team holds other fundraising events throughout the years, the bulk of Loyola's monetary contributions come from the auction.

Last year's auction raised roughly \$18,000 for the program, with an attendance of over 600 people. Frank Rodriguez '00, Project Mexico's co-leader, stated, "The success of last year's auction should be a point of pride for the whole College. The willingness of the Loyola community to support our efforts showed that our program is much larger than the 23 students who go to Mexico."

In order to build on last year's success, this year's auction will be catered by Hightopps Bar & Grille. The auction will also feature entertainment from the Chimes and the Belles.

The Project Mexico auction has always featured a celebrity faculty auctioneer, including Fr. Harold Ridley, Thomas Scheye, and Roger Kashlak. Scheye says, "I try to encourage competition between tables, and I can usually shame one into bidding over the other."

The spirit of fun competition encouraged by the auctioneer is integral to the event. This year's auction will include dinners with professors, tickets to Orioles and Ravens games, the *Conan O'Brien Show*, *Les Miserables*, two airline tickets anywhere in the continental U.S. and weekend packages at the Inner Harbor.

In addition to a live auction, Project Mexico is sponsoring a silent auction, which allows for more discreet bidding. Each item in the silent auction will have a set base price. Kelly McDevitt '00, a member of last year's team, declared, "For a college student on a limited budget, the silent auction is definitely a chance to do some early

and cost-effective Christmas shopping!"

This year's auction will feature over 200 items, all of which can be paid for with the Evergreen card.

The money raised at the auction will help organize, support, and empower the communities of Tijuana and Tecate. In the 10-year history of the program, Loyola has developed relationships with churches, orphanages and schools in the area, and contributed to the Loyola Soccer Club, a Jesuit-funded team that gives area children a chance to learn discipline, responsibility, and commitment through athletics. Last year, after attending Mass at a local parish, the team donated \$500 to the pastor, who, according to Rodriguez, "expressed a gratefulness like none I had seen before. This Wednesday night at the auction, we all have an opportunity to help make such changes and experiences a reality."

O'Malley elected mayor

by Megan Mechak
News Editor

City Councilman Martin O'Malley, a defense attorney and singer of the Irish rock band O'Malley's March, was elected



Martin O'Malley
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mayor of Baltimore Nov. 2. In his acceptance speech, O'Malley stated, "This much I promise you tonight ... as mayor I will work every second of every waking hour to make sure a sense of urgency is returned to the noble work of city government." O'Malley campaigned primarily on shutting down open-air drug markets and lowering Baltimore's increasing murder rate. O'Malley's victory was once of nine races whose results created the largest City Hall turnover in 12 years. Baltimore joins Gary, Ind. and Oakland, Calif. as predominately black cities that elected white mayors.

The Sun reported that although only 27 percent of the city's eligible voters turned out for the Tuesday election, O'Malley claimed 84,647 votes, 91 percent. His opponent, Republican David A. Tufaro, garnered 8,865 votes. In addition, voters approved a referendum that would align city elections with presidential races, giving O'Malley a five-year term to be served until 2004.

According to The Sun, In the past eight years, Baltimore had 300 murders a year, despite various crime-fighting strategies. According to police, three of the four murders can be attributed to the

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GSA to plan graduate student-oriented events

by Cristina Dacchille
Staff Writer

Undergraduate students have the opportunity to join over 100 different activities and clubs on campus, including acting groups, literary magazines, club sports,

enhance their experience at Loyola. Last February, they gave a name to that "something," the Graduate Student Association (GSA).

Dalton and Buhain sent out a survey to each member of the graduate student community, ask-

"We want to bridge the communication gaps that have developed between students and these [services provided by Loyola]."

-- Dana Dalton,
GSA co-founder

volunteer organizations and much, much more. Up until now, there have not been that many opportunities for graduate students, though. Recently, two women, both graduates of Loyola College, decided to change that fact.

The women, Dana Dalton, Assistant Director of Student Activities, and Jocelyn Buhain, long ago realized that the graduate student community needed something to

ing them questions dealing with their experiences at Loyola so far and possible ideas and suggestions for the future. The responses were very similar, in that each student felt that something was lacking from their education. Many students mentioned the fact that they were never made aware of many of the services Loyola provides to all of its students, and even more mentioned that they

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Changes made to study abroad policies

by John-Paul Pizzica
Staff Writer

The International Programs Office has quickly become one of the busiest departments on cam-

of impact studying abroad has on students, and on Loyola as a whole. The Committee on Study Abroad and International Students, comprised of faculty members from a host of different de-

Just in the last four years, [the International Programs Office has] seen a 20 percent increase (from 23 percent in 1996 to 43 percent in 1999) in the number of juniors participating in a variety of study abroad programs.

pus because of the amount of students each year who decide to spend a semester or a year abroad. Just in the last four years, they have seen a 20 percent increase (from 23 percent in 1996 to 43 percent in 1999) in the number of juniors participating in a variety of study abroad programs.

Because of this tremendous growth, Dean Joseph Healy, Director of International Programs, has designated this year as an assessment period to see what kind

partments, has been created to study the academic, social and cultural aspects of the programs.

The first concern of the committee, since these are academic programs, is how the students' time abroad and the foreign education they receive influences their academic success. The committee and the International Programs Office have studied the academic statistics of students before, during and after their time abroad. They have begun an assessment

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COMMUNITY

Campus Police Blotter
Selected excerpts from reports

by Megan Meehak
News Editor

Theft

Oct. 26, 1999

Unknown suspects attempted to steal a 1993 Chevy from the Gardens parking lot.

Oct. 30, 1999

A West Side convenience parking sticker was stolen from the Charleston lot.

Oct. 31, 1999

10 units of 5 mg prescription sleeping medication were stolen from a female student's apartment.

Nov. 1, 1999

A West Side convenience parking sticker was stolen from the Gardens lot.

A Palm Pilot hand-held computer was stolen from Knott Hall.

A College employee reported her wallet, containing credit cards, driver's license and various gift certificates, stolen from her Donnelly Science Center office.

The silver gate pole to the Guilford parking lot was stolen.

Nov. 2, 1999

Two gray sweatshirts were stolen from the lacrosse locker room.

A College employee's wallet, containing her driver's license, credit cards and Loyola ID, was stolen from her briefcase in the Humanities Center.

Telephone Misuse

Nov. 2, 1999

Unknown suspects telephoned a female student and asked if they would be able to obtain illegal substances on a bus trip to Howard University.

Vandalism/Destruction of Property

Oct. 29, 1999

A Loyola student parked at York Road reported her vehicle struck by an unknown suspect.

The rear window of a Honda parked in the library lot was shattered by a softball.

Oct. 30, 1999

The rear window of a 1996 Toyota parked in the library lot was shattered by unknown suspects.

Oct. 31, 1999

A Butler study lounge was emptied of its furniture, which was found outside the room, in the elevator, and in nearby shower stalls.

Soliciting

Oct. 27, 1999

A GTE employee was attempting to sign students up for credit cards in the Fast Breaks area of the College Center.

Fire Alarm

Oct. 31, 1999

Unknown suspects lit a smoke bomb and placed it under the front door of a Wynnewood East apartment. The building was evacuated.

Safety Hazard

Oct. 31, 1999

Unknown Guilford residents were throwing water balloons from an upper level window.

On-Campus Datebook
Events for the college community

Ongoing Events

Presence for Christmas -- Sponsor a family or child by donating gifts and food for those who are materially poor in the Baltimore Community. For more information, contact your House's Community Service Rep., RA, or call Tim Fisher, Sophomore Class President, at ext. 3809.

Tuesday, Nov. 9

French Film Series, title TBA -- Library Rm. 309, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 10

Project Mexico Auction -- Come bid on a variety of items to raise money for student outreach trip to Mexico in January; Spanish-style dinner served; 5-8 p.m., McGuire Hall; call ext. 2380 for details and cost of dinner.

Concert: Decamera Singers, performing Faure's "Requiem" and selections from Faure's "Chansons d'Eve," directed by Ernest Liotti, 7:30 p.m. Alumni Chapel. Part of the Humanities Symposium.

Resume Information Day -- Assistance in writing your resume available all day; Career Development and Placement Center.

Orientation to the Career Mentoring Program: for students in all years interested in psychology, law, and health professions. Call ext. 2232 for location; 12 noon.

Women's Basketball vs. Rotabanski (exhibition), Reitz Arena, 7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 11

Class Registration for Spring Semester, Class of 2003

French Film Series, title TBA -- Library Rm. 309, 7 p.m.

Humanities Symposium Keynote Address: Author Toni Morrison, "The Language of Paradise," 7:30 p.m., Reitz Arena.

Friday, Nov. 12

Fall 1999 Meeting of the MD-DC-VA section of the Mathematics Association of America, hosted by the Department of Mathematical Sciences. Knott Hall and 4th Floor Programming Room. See <http://www.eas.american.edu/mmaa/fall99/> or call ext. 2328 for more details. \$45.

Lecture: Dr. Lucy Daniels, Ph.D., on creativity; musical composition by Vivian Adelberg Rudow; and poetry reading by Grace Cavalari; reception to follow. 7-9:30 p.m., McManus Theater, 7 p.m.

Movie: *American Pie*, SGA Film Series, 7:30 p.m., Primo's. ONLY \$1!

Saturday, Nov. 13

Fall 1999 Meeting of the MD-DC-VA section of the MAA; see above for details.

Admissions Information Program -- Andrew White Student Center, 11 a.m. Call ext. 5012 for more details.

Men's Basketball vs. Nantucket Nectars (exhibition), Reitz Arena, 2 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 14

Concert: "Gathering in the Harvest," featuring eight different styles of music for worship; 2-3:30 p.m., Alumni Chapel. Open to the public.

Protestant Worship Service, Alumni Chapel, 7:30 p.m.

Movie: *American Pie*, SGA Film Series; 7:30 p.m., Primo's. ONLY \$1!

Monday, Nov. 15

"Watch Your Car" Program -- Inside York Road Garage, 12-8 p.m. Make your car tough to steal.

Lecture: "Looking at History Without Blinking: The Imaginative Vision of Toni Morrison;" Thavolia Glymph, assistant professor of history, Penn State University; 7 p.m., Knott Hall 02.

A Humanities Symposium Event.

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Community Datebook
Activities and events in the area

On-Going Events

Macbeth is being performed by the Performance Theater Workshop Company until Nov. 21.

Don Juan in Hell, a play about life in the hereafter with Don Juan, his lover, Donna Ana, her father and the devil himself, is at the Fell's Point Corner Theater until Nov. 28.

Fiddler on the Roof is at F. Scott Black's Dinner Theater until Nov. 30.

Tuesday, Nov. 9, 1999

WWF Smackdown will take place at the Baltimore Arena at 8 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 12, 1999

Sting will perform at Constitution Hall. Ticket prices start at \$50.

Saturday, Nov. 13, 1999

The Baltimore School for the Arts will host *Artreach*, workshops and demonstrations of the visual arts and theater for the public.

Sunday, Nov. 14, 1999

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NEWS

Graduate forum founded

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were never offered the opportunity for spiritual, social or professional development outside the classroom.

From these responses, the two came up with the GSA's vision statement: "to strive to enhance the personal and professional development of the graduate student community." They further cultivated this vision by creating three more specific goals: to address the growth of all aspects of the graduate student's character (i.e. spiritual, mental, etc.), to strengthen the academic and professional experience of the gradu-

Dalton. One way the GSA hopes to do this is by hosting a student orientation for new graduate students in the fall. Although no definite plans have been made thus far, both Buhain and Dalton agree that an event like this would do a lot in terms of "building and strengthening the graduate community."

Other events in the making include a mass at the Alumni Chapel, a social gathering in downtown Baltimore and a workshop for professional development. These activities, however, are not the sole function of the GSA. According to graduate stu-

"[The GSA is] more focused on [people] talking to each other, giving back to their community and interacting together in the same stage of life."

*-- Samuel Canuel
Graduate student*

ate student community, and to create a link between the graduate community and student services.

According to Buhain, the GSA hopes to "provide a voice for the graduate community." Many students are unaware of the services provided for them, such as the career development offices. "These are the services that the graduate students need most," says Dalton, "and yet none of the students know where they are or how to access them."

The GSA plans to change this. "We want to bridge the communication gaps that have developed between students and these incredible opportunities," says

dent Scott Canuel, the GSA is "more focused on [people] talking to each other, giving back to their community and interacting together in the same stage of life." This social aspect is one that many students feel is lacking in their hectic day-to-day schedule of work and classes.

The core members of the association hope to increase membership and interest in order to better understand the needs of the graduate community. Any graduate students interested in learning more about the GSA or participating in any of its upcoming events are invited to contact Buhain at jbuhain@loyola.edu.

Study abroad to stress an immersion process

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tive campaign of keeping in close contact with those who have first-hand knowledge of the academic structure of the different programs, and conduct exit interviews with students who have recently completed a study abroad program and who can give them a reliable, up-to-date synopsis of the academic state of affairs of the program.

The committee is also studying the correlation between a student's major and their program of choice, and which study abroad programs are suited for each major. This is an important issue for the International Programs Office because this can often become a source of misinformation and mistaken assumptions that may deter some students from studying abroad. Healy stresses the flexibility and variety of the study abroad programs and the ability of nearly every student to go abroad at some time during their college career.

There are four categories of study abroad opportunities. Programs are set packages created by Loyola which include tuition, airfare, room, fees and usually group trips

service be made available for students abroad. Whether it be teaching English in Thailand or participating in internships in the Netherlands, these activities by Loyola students will make immersion easier, if not inevitable. The committee is also looking at the system of housing in the study abroad programs, particularly the Leuven program, as a way of encouraging immersion on the part of Loyola students. Healy sees this suggestion as a way of immersing each student in a personal way into the culture around them and as a means to prevent misunderstandings and tensions.

The committee has also focused on the various study abroad opportunities and whether or not Loyola offers a diverse selection of locations in which to study. The committee wants to look at whether the growing number of venues for studying abroad reflects an attention to diversity, or if the programs are still too focused on Western Europe. A majority of study abroad opportunities are based in Western Europe. However, upon closer examination, one sees that the latest programs added do indeed

Dean Healy has suggested a Spring semester session on "cultural analysis" for those studying abroad the following year or semester. He believes that it is necessary "in order to better prepare students for immersion into any foreign society."

to nearby destinations. Exchanges are often language-based, but similar to set programs, they allow the student to maintain their Loyola status.

This method of studying abroad also brings international students to Loyola, facilitating internationalization on campus. Affiliations are connections that Loyola has with other university programs. Grades and credits attained by students in affiliations are transferred to Loyola. Finally, host programs are non-Loyola opportunities for students to study abroad and earn credits toward their degree.

This particular system opens up many different areas for the student to travel to, but institutional forms of financial aid are forfeited, and the credits, not the grades, are recognized by Loyola. All of these categories have programs which are year- or semester-long, allowing even those with specialized majors to study abroad. In order to more easily facilitate the process of studying abroad, Healy also advocates foresight on the part of prospective students in choosing their courses for semesters prior to their junior year. In this way, the student will be better prepared to benefit from the curriculum offered at the foreign institution they will be attending.

Another key aspect of studying abroad is the idea of immersion into the local culture. At its very heart, this is a personal decision. Each student chooses to what degree they will actively engage in the culture of the particular country in which they live.

However, the committee and Healy have proposed programs both on campus and abroad in order to encourage immersion. On campus, Healy has suggested a spring semester session on "cultural analysis" for those studying abroad the following semester or year. He believes that it is necessary "in order to better prepare students for immersion into any foreign society."

The International Programs Office is also requiring that opportunities for community

expand the locations for studying abroad to every part of the world. Besides the very popular Thailand and Australia programs, study abroad opportunities can be found in Japan, Korea, Argentina, China and Zimbabwe. More central for the committee on this issue is how to increase the awareness and popularity of these programs. Although these programs are offered, the vast majority of potential students tend to study in Western Europe. An increased sense of the opportunities and resources available to the Loyola student in these programs, and a willingness to learn more about these cultures is what Healy would like to facilitate on campus.

Finally, the committee is also looking at the impact that the study abroad programs are having back on the Evergreen campus, and how the experiences of students who have studied abroad can be used to the campus' benefit. A key responsibility of the International Programs Office is providing resources to create a smooth re-entry phase for those students returning from abroad. One way to do this is to give the students forums and opportunities in which to share their experiences with an interested audience. Healy has begun to draw on this rich resource by inviting them to participate in informational sessions on the specific programs, and also serving as panel members for orientation meetings held prior to students' departure. Healy and the committee would also like to engender a sense of internationalization on campus and, to this end, the International Job Fair will be held on Nov. 18 as an opportunity to show Loyola students the array of jobs available to them outside of the U.S. Healy believes that a heightened sense of cultural awareness on campus, combined with a support network for the study abroad student before, during and after their time abroad, will further increase the popularity of international programs and better prepare people to survive in the national and international community.

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NEWS

Congress to purchase King documents

by Megan Mechak
News Editor

Members of Congress, voting to appropriate \$20 million to the Library of Congress for the purchase of a collection of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s personal papers, raised questions last week about the propriety of purchasing a private collection, and about what they would receive for their money. The purchase would include thousands of documents, including letters written by King near the end of his life. Much of the material for sale is currently stored at the King Center for Nonviolent Social Change, located in Atlanta, run by Dexter Scott King. Other documents are in possession of King's widow, Coretta Scott King.

According to *The Washington Post*, the Senate approved the purchase last week, although the money's source is unclear. Despite this support, some House members raised questions at a Joint Committee on the Library meeting held last week. The committee questioned the precedent for such a purchase, as most of the library's material comes from donation. The

King documents would be the most expensive acquisition in the library's history.

In the past, Congress has appropriated funds for the purchase of specific collections only seven times.

The committee also wondered who would be the owner of the intellectual property rights. Said



Martin Luther King Jr.

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James Clyburn (D-SC), "The issue of intellectual property rights seems to have in some kind of way seeped into these discussions at a level [at which] I don't think it belongs. I think the family has the right to reserve some proprietary interest." Clyburn, among others, traveled to Atlanta in August to begin negotiations with the King family, assuming details

could be worked out at a later date.

Some members of Congress disagree. "I think \$20 million is an outrage," Rep. John Linder (R-GA) told the *Atlanta Journal and Constitution*, calling the price a pay-off. King biographer David Garrow reported, "It's going to be a big surprise to people how little there is in Dr. King's handwriting." Willis Van Devanter, an appraiser, disagreed, valued the collection at \$28 million and said, "The material will bring you to tears."

O'Malley's challenges include high crime rate, urban sprawl and education reform

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illegal drug trade in many of Baltimore's poverty-stricken neighborhoods.

The Sun said that O'Malley pushed for the "zero tolerance" crime-fighting strategy that has been used in New Orleans and New York.

O'Malley's plan calls for police to target so-called nuisance crimes like public drunkenness and loitering to catch fugitives before they commit more serious crimes. Voters reacted positively. Said Isaac Jones, an East Baltimore resident, "It's a shame that a city like New York ... feels safer than Baltimore." The Fraternal Order of Police agreed; Gary McLhinney, president of the FOP Baltimore's Lodge, stated, "We have a tremendous opportunity. And a lot is expected."

However, opponents, including black ministers, feared heightened police action would result in more police brutality. As proof, they cited last month's shooting of a 21-year-old East Baltimore man, who was shot and killed by a white officer. Eyewitnesses disputed the officer's claim that Larry J. Hubbard attempted to grab his partner's gun.

Tufaro's campaign, in contrast, focused on cutting city property taxes. The candidate's plan would have cut city spending and allowed private companies to provide city services, as is done in Philadelphia and Indianapolis. O'Malley's other primary challengers based their

campaigns on improving schools or cutting taxes. However, voters like Wilhelmina Vaughn disagreed. At a recent protest of Hubbard's shooting, Vaughn said, "Zero tolerance? I'm for sub-zero tolerance. Someone has got to do something." Protesters like Vaughn have significantly shifted Baltimore's political climate recently. Kurt Schmoke, Baltimore's current mayor, gained national attention for his liberal policies favoring drug treatment instead of incarceration.

According to *The Sun*, O'Malley, however, is a "new Democrat," willing to back traditionally conservative positions, like boosting economic development, cracking down on crime, and court-ordered drug treatment. In contrast to what many consider a shy, unassuming current mayor, O'Malley's campaign has shown that he exudes confidence and has a penchant for theatrics. O'Malley's clean-cut image and solid education credentials helped O'Malley to victory, according to political analysts. Claimed former state Senator Larry Young, now a talk show host on WOLB-AM 1010, "You can hear them saying 'I hope my son grows up just like that.' They have a great deal of

hopes and dreams."

O'Malley faces no easy task, taking over the mayoral office in a city with some of the toughest urban problems in the nation. Current problems include violent crime, poor education in the inner city, the highest property taxes in the state, widespread poverty, a budget deficit, drug addiction, and an exodus of over 1,000 city residents each month. Although O'Malley is considered one of the most effective Baltimore legislators, he will not be guaranteed the same majority City Council votes in support of his initiatives that Schmoke was. In addition, the Board of Estimates, the city's spending board, includes Shelia Dixon and Joan Pratt, two prominent female politicians whose political aspirations include O'Malley's job. Despite endorsements from key African-American political leaders and one-third of the black vote in the primary, *The Sun* reports that O'Malley supporters have repeatedly warned him that the public will hold him accountable for creating a diverse government.

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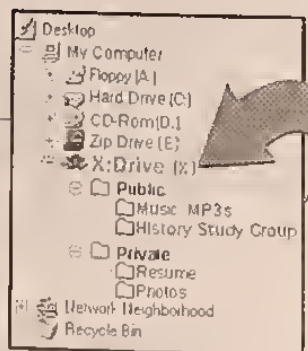
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Hey...cabbie...wait up!

No one is going to York Road anymore.
(Insert chuckle here.)

Despite what seems like something with very good intentions behind it, the new “unofficial” practice by the Campus Police to start chasing away cabs is probably only going to cause more problems.

It’s common knowledge that many students foolishly attempt walking back from York Road because they’ve spent all their money, which is a huge problem in itself. We know this because quite a few of them pop up in the Campus Police Blotter or an Incident Alert accompanied by the key words “coming back from a York Road establishment.”

So the new Incident Alerts should read “on their way to a York Road establishment” instead now? Because, sadly, if students are going to walk back from there, why would they have a problem walking to there?

The Greyhound is certainly not endorsing making it easier for students to get to bars. And the cabs certainly are a traffic problem. But the Campus Police playing bully to the cabs is only going to put students who are hell bent on going to the bars at much more of a risk. (And, as infrequent as it may be, sometimes students need a cab to get places other than a bar.)

Additionally, it should be noted that some students are in fact 21 years old, and might want to be responsible and take a cab to one of these aforementioned “establishments.” Is it fair to make things harder for them? Of course not.

So basically, cab chasing is a lot like Communism -- following that great-in-theory, lousy-in-execution principle, but instead of people having no motivation to work, students will decide that they have more motivation to find dangerous ways to get where they want to go.

Note to binge drinkers:
Take responsibility for your actions

So it apparently all comes down to this: Loyola’s zero-tolerance policies are what force innocent Loyola students to become binge drinkers. Or, no -- better than that -- the uptight parents who have

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raised these students are at fault, as their stunted conservative morals have damned their children to a college career of alcohol. Because, obviously, we cannot expect a single Loyola student to be held accountable for her/his own drinking pattern, nor for whatever breaches in the law that such a pattern may entail. And, of course, we should alter the laws to reflect this inability of young adults to control themselves, so that society adequately panders to the lowest common denominator.

Who are we kidding?

You know, maybe I could have bought that line of reasoning as applied to an age group 10 years our junior, but, the fact is, we are now legally adults. Not only capable of being, but expected to be, responsible for our actions and ourselves. And the knee-jerk reflex of blaming outside forces for our own behavior is no longer supportable. At a certain point, it must be acknowledged that drinking, like so many other activities, is fundamentally a personal decision, not one foisted upon any discerning person against her/his will. A student at Loyola chooses whether or not to drink. And, in

making that decision, s/he must recognize its potential repercussions, and be prepared to deal with them.

Why is it that we are allowing a double standard toward the action of unsafe drinking that we would never permit concerning any other unsafe activity? (In writing this, I am specifically labeling binge drinking as unsafe; I do not mean to demonize drinking in moderation). The intrepid facade of our culture is not that we don’t recognize that college students drink, but that college students don’t see a problem with the manner in which they drink. Beyond even that, those students have learned to view laws restricting drinking as insidious limitations, a mentality rarely applied to seatbelts or helmets. Nevertheless, the basic tenet and intent of the laws concerning all three is identical. Why then is there no similar push toward changing the attitudes of parents so that we can cruise around free of the unsavory burden of lap belts? Do students whose parents made them wear seatbelts as a child now cavort ecstatically around the car when they drive?

Reveling in their emancipation from buckled bondage? No -- because choosing whether or not to wear a seatbelt, just like choosing whether or not to drink, is a personal decision. Outside factors may influence you, but they never determine you.

Loyola already tacitly supports a “drink sensibly” approach;

speaking to any representative from the Alcohol and Drug Education and Support Services will more than validate this assertion. Loyola is more than lenient with its alcohol policy, especially in juxtaposition to the state and governmental laws regarding underage drinking. That this leniency doesn’t affect the decision of Loyola students to get drunk completely undermines any push to alter laws as a means of altering behavior. The regulations and punishments have already been lessened; the instances of drunken students at Loyola have not.

Loyola’s problem, as I understand it, is not the presence of alcohol, but instead the mentality concerning it: students drink to get drunk. This has nothing to do with pandering to fragile parents, nor with Loyola’s supposed zero-tolerance policy, nor with societal conventions, nor with American hypocrisy. It has everything to do with personal accountability and decision-making. As convenient and temporarily omnipotent as it may be to blame poor judgment calls on others, each person must ultimately acknowledge that s/he is responsible for her/his own actions. And must accordingly accept the aftermath, no matter how unpalatable it may be. No sane person should be held exempt from the repercussions of her/his own actions, no matter how disagreeable those may be. Welcome to social reality.

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OPINION

Priority scheduling? Athletes, take a number

A news article in last week's *Greyhound* reported on the Student Athlete Advisory Council (SAAC)'s hopes of convincing the Loyola College administration to grant student athletes a greater de-

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gree of priority when registering for classes. SAAC vice-president Bobby Horsey '01 was quoted on the subject of road trips and practices, noting that they "can take place during the day," and that some long trips require athletes to miss entire weeks of class. Having to reschedule tests, he said, "can affect our grades." It was also pointed out that other schools in the MAAC have already given their student athletes the benefit of priority scheduling.

Well, it sounds like an excellent idea to me.

But while we're at it, let's not forget the other groups of students who deserve priority scheduling as well. Let's not forget the students living in McKenna House, who could certainly benefit from being able to organize their courses to allow them more time for their community service activities. Let's not forget the students who are gainfully employed, who have difficulty arranging their work hours around inconveniently-scheduled classes. Or the students in ROTC, who have to be up at five in the morning for

Physical Training. Or the students who contribute their time to the College community in other capacities, whether as members of the student government or as leaders in other activities. Let's not forget Honors students, who need that extra time to study. In fact, let's keep going until we've found some reason or other to give every last student at this school a privileged registration time.

Because then we'll be right back

it is at least a democratic arbitrary meaningfulness. We're all getting screwed together. And each one of us has an equal chance of being screwed at any given time of the day.

It makes sense, then, that for athletes, or any student group, to be awarded a higher level of priority in this process than other students, it must be demonstrated that our present randomized system puts them at a greater disadvantage than

have implemented a priority scheduling plan for their student athletes, well, if other MAAC schools jumped off a bridge, would Loyola follow? Just because our colleagues listen to bad advice doesn't mean we should too.

Not only do I not think that priority scheduling for athletes is warranted, I also don't think it will help. More importantly, though, it's missing the point. Permit me to recall that Loyola College -- being a *Col-*

times a week. I won't pretend that I always put school first, but I make my decision based on where I'm needed most and what means more to me, and I follow it through without complaint.

In any case, as another recent *Greyhound* article brought to our attention, Loyola has a high graduation rate among its student athletes already. That would seem to suggest that our present system isn't so bad.

Some athletes, like Horsey, may graduate behind schedule, but then, a portion of the student body always ends up in that position for one reason or another. I'm a semester behind, myself. That's the way life goes. That's the result of making choices. It's the price you pay for following your heart. Sometimes it's a bit tough to live with, but to me -- and, I imagine, to many of our school's student leaders -- it's worth the sacrifice to be able to be a part of those activities that are important to you.

This isn't the first time that the idea of giving some student group or other an early registration time has been brought up, and if registering continues to be as difficult as it is -- which is likely -- then it certainly won't be the last. But if Loyola is serious about its goal of becoming an academic institution of national standing, then it would do well to continue to make academics its first concern.

How, I wonder, will first crack at registration benefit student athletes taking week-long road trips? Will they schedule courses that don't meet during the third week in October?

where we started: treating everyone as equals.

Anyone who thinks that Loyola College's registration process is a fair one that guarantees students the right classes at the right times has obviously never participated in it. Every year students come back from registration telling horror stories about having to take classes at bizarre times, or getting shut out of them entirely. Earlier time slots don't help as much as you'd expect, either, unless you're among the very first groups of seniors. So, to an extent, the complaints are justified: these students have gotten the short end of the stick, and for no good reason. The current system of assigning registration times is pretty much arbitrary and meaningless. On the other hand, however,

other groups. And if I were to see evidence that such was the case, I certainly wouldn't be opposed to the idea of making an exception for that group, in the interest of fairness. But after reading last week's article, I'm not convinced.

How, I wonder, will first crack at registration benefit student athletes taking week-long road trips? Will they schedule courses that don't meet during the third week in October? How much easier will it really be to schedule classes at night, so they don't interfere with practice? When it comes time to take those tests, what difference will it make that you signed up for the class sooner than everyone else? Will it be more important than how much you studied? And as for the argument that other MAAC schools

lege -- is first and foremost an institution of higher education. Above all else, we're here to learn. Athletics is not something you go to school to do, it's something you happen to do while at school. If we, as an organization, accord it a privilege that eclipses academics, we're losing sight of our primary mission.

Carlo Brancato '01, a crew team member quoted in last week's article, has the right idea. "Nobody should get special treatment when it comes to academics," he says; "the student decides what's more important: school or sport." The time inevitably comes, for all students involved in extracurricular activities, when they have to decide which obligations matter most to them. It happens to me several

interrogation of Pete Rose after he was selected to Major League Baseball's All-Century team and a Boston reporter's grilling of Gov. George W. Bush on the names of four foreign leaders have caused quite a stir in public opinion of the press. TV news reporters are trying too hard to create and be a part of the stories they cover rather than just report them, but I don't believe they are the sole source of blame. The pressure is coming from above -- network and station administrators who want their news departments to turn a profit.

To what extent do TV news departments have their own agendas, and are they still objective? CAN they be objective when their survival depends upon ratings?

Last week, in my Non-fiction Film and Television course, we discussed how some news departments began as not-for-profit ventures. When Edward R. Murrow began CBS news, he insisted the news department remain independent of the network. In a perfect world, they would still be independent of networks and not be responsible for supporting themselves financially. That arrangement, I realize, is not entirely possible in today's profit-driven, competitive world of advertising revenues and ratings-driven programming.

What are the alternatives then? If interviews like those of Rose and Bush turn you off, turn your television off. If you are disgusted by video footage of accidents, talk of the JonBenet Ramsey case or replayed footage of Columbine High School's cafeteria, then turn it off. I

think our society has to find a way to send a message to TV news producers that we are not going to be the objects of their manipulation.

There are better and far more thorough sources for news out there. Consider using other ways to get your news, like Internet sites that let you select the news you read by your preferences, listening to NPR, or reading a newspaper. Yes, these media can have their own faults too, but none are as glaringly deceptive as TV news.

Very few viewers can fully comprehend the manipulative powers being wielded by television producers.

Stations use surveys, scientific studies and market research statistics that tell them what you, the viewer, are most likely to watch. Everything from flashing stingers between segments to little catchphrases and sensational video footage are used to gather and keep viewers.

As the public becomes more educated in the methods being used to glue them to their televisions and less amazed at the technology and immediacy of today's news, we'll begin turning away from stations utilizing these manipulative measures. Sensational TV news will die out just as yellow journalism did.

Yet there is hope for television news. It represents many of the worst features of journalism in today's world, but in the years to come, sensational local newscasts will be forced to clean up their acts or find new ploys to hold the level of interest they command now.

From the Far Side

by Paul Ruppel

The Populist penny press that began in the 1830s represented a fundamental shift in the history of American journalism. It was the first attempt by newspapers to tap into the dynamic advertising potential that they held, as opposed to simple revenue from subscriptions and street sales.

Since the penny press, the viability of most newspapers in America has rested almost entirely on an editor's ability to convince companies that a number of readers will see an advertisement in his or her newspaper. The role of the press and media in American democracy -- the watchdog of the executive, legislative and judicial, able to disseminate facts without bias or fear of punishment from the government -- was joined by a second motivation, profit maximization.

This second motivation resulted in some of the darkest hours of America's journalistic history. Corporate interests were subversive influences to the effectiveness and objectivity of newspapers by the end of the 1860s. The addition of the telegraph, the ability to relay news and events faster than ever before, added to the tools at the disposal of editors hoping to get the jump on one another at every opportunity.

Many newspapers dropped their price to one cent (thus, the "penny"

press) in order to increase readership and raise the rates they could charge advertisers. Just before the turn of the century, "yellow journalism," fabricated and exaggerated news stories, fueled vicious circulation wars on the streets of New York and played a significant role in bringing the nation into a war against Mexico.

However, as readers became more educated and sophisticated, they eventually turned away from such papers.

Television news today is polluted much the same way newspapers were during the days of the penny press, but the culprit is slightly different. Rather than running half-truths and outright lies, TV news broadcasts exploit their ability to bring harsh, chilling reality into the living rooms of viewers at home. Stations run murders, natural disasters, and other stories at the top of their broadcasts because these captivate our most basic fears and emotions.

Who needs to make up the news when you can take fantastic incidents, capture them on film, pass them off out of context as a slice of reality and put them at the top of your broadcast?

Television news relies on its ability to sell advertising time to companies, and a station's ratings dictate the rates they can charge. The

current rating system compares which station is able to keep the most viewers for the first five minutes of a 15-minute segment, and the subsequent 15-minute segment is measured as well. The emphasis is on keeping viewers from flipping to another channel during these crucial intervals.

Producers use a variety of methods to manipulate the viewer into staying put. Leading with hard news and crime stories are of course the most obvious examples of this. Affiliated stations link their stories to the network's prime-time programming. They run promos or "teasers" throughout the broadcast of things to come later. Anything and everything they can do to keep the viewers' interest seems to be fair game.

Local television news stations are feeling the pressure of increased competition from cable news stations like CNN and MSNBC and the emerging potential of the Internet as a source for news. TV news producers (like the editors of the American press before 1900) are learning and exploiting the tools by which they can capture the interest of the viewer and not let go. I'll spare you my diatribe on TV tabloids, except to say that they are lowering the bar of decency and actually make news broadcasts look good.

Recent interviews like Jim Gray's

OPINION

TANGENTIAL

by Josh Warner-Burke



The great numerical rollover into the third millennium is soon to happen, and Election 2000 issues are already taking shape. Could anyone have predicted five years ago, ten years ago, what we would care about now? Has our political climate taken a discernable, linear path? Anything but.

In 1985, anyone with at least a radio and a fifth-grader's understanding of politics had enough evidence to support the prediction that, by now, the economy would have collapsed under the weight of the upward-spiraling budget deficit. Not so -- by some miraculous act of fate, the budget has been balanced and "Reagonomics" is just a dot on the horizon.

In 1989, environmentalists convinced us that the end of the world would come soon enough: that the sky would rain acid, the ice caps would gush, the oil pumps would go dry. We thought it was already too late, that we were doomed. But it's all okay now -- truth is just perception, and perception has changed.

In 1991, the general sentiment in the country was so grim, we might have thought that by now joblessness and inner-city crime would be so rampant that hard-core welfare reform and public executions would top the agenda. Nixed. Joblessness is at record lows, and the main concern as far as law and order goes is over guns -- specifically, guns in the hands of kids.

In 1995, we might have supposed that alongside of Gates' cry, "Windows on every desktop," we'd hear, "A Pentium on every grade school desk." We might have had delusions about the power of the Internet to change the world on time for the big date shift.

By 1997, some really believed that when the ball fell and the odometer turned over, blackness would envelop the nation: a post-industrial big-bang to shatter the stock market, a just dessert for a world choosing computers over people. We know now that Y2K

will hurt a number of small businesses, probably even a few larger ones, but nothing as exciting as a nationwide blackout or Dionysian anarchy is likely to happen.

In 1998, with the taste of Monica on our lips, the majority sentiment was that our next president would have to be a stalwart of moral decency, that anti-Clinton sentiment would swing the country to the right. In the thick jungle of that epic scandal, it seemed obvious that absolutely nothing would change by the year 2000, or any other year for that matter. It seemed clear that every day would be Groundhog Day, with the same shoddy news coverage reported and recycled, the same off-handed commentary by people at school or at the office, and with Kenneth Starr reigning forever, behind closed doors, like Castro.

But we woke up from that nightmare and shook it off, wondering why we ever cared. And now the frontrunners in both camps are hugging the middle. Centrist democracy is in. Crucifying "welfare queens" is out. Big tax breaks for businesses are out. And thankfully, we're getting around to addressing the questions of health care and education, the well-being of our children.

Material comfort has done a lot for our mood. When times are tough, people like Pat Buchanan -- the man who suggested we put an electric fence up at the Mexican border -- seem attractive. War seems attractive: more jobs. Everyone's looking for someone to blame. But not now -- regardless of whom you want to credit for the startlingly buoyant economy (Clinton, Greenspan, Reagan, Gore), the benefits in terms of political climate are undeniable.

Now that we have some money, the question is: how are we going to spend it?

And a larger, underlying question inherent in the upcoming election is whether to respect big, ambitious ideas or smaller, more pragmatic

ones. Kennedy didn't know how much rocket fuel would cost when he declared in 1961 that by the end of that decade we'd put a man on the moon, but he made it happen by committing our government to that goal.

This week, Bill Bradley proposed something as brave and as unheard-of -- something either brilliant or insane -- as Kennedy's lunar promise: to "eliminate child poverty as we know it." Next to a broad health care package, this is his second biggest issue. He would increase minimum wage and expand the earned income credit for parents, give money for child care and Head Start, offer student loan forgiveness to teachers who make commitments to teach in urban areas, scholarships for students who promise to teach, money for after-school programs and "Second Chance Homes" for pregnant teens.

Mostly what Gore has been doing to fight off Bradley's recent resurgence is to jump on Bradley's issues but offer less ambitious plans, play leapfrog with Bradley's schedule, and do anything short of grovel for votes. He says he now feels "connected." In fact, he's scared, and rightfully so.

The slant of Gore's attacks on Bradley is that Bradley is not realistic enough and that his proposals will never be passed. "Big and bold is fine," says an adviser to Al Gore. "Big and bold and unrealistic is not." Agreed.

But I think a goal becomes infinitely more realistic once a sober commitment has been made to it, and I put my money on Bradley to realize his goals.

In the upcoming primaries, Democrats are going to have to ask themselves the tough questions: has fiscal discipline and the vibrant economy which feeds it become so much a part of the democratic bloodstream that voters will always watch the bottom line? Or can we trust the dreamer to lead us to the next level?

Changes at the turn of the millennium

Why will there be none?

In order to combat the fear and angst that seems to be accompanying the arrival of the year 2000, many national institutions are challenging the American public to

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change the way we live, asking us to "build new bridges" and "leap forward" into the twenty-first century. Similarly, politicians of all parties, in order to discover new opportunity and fortune for the future of all mankind, are christening the new millennium as a time of discovery and change encased in a spirit of togetherness. Coupled with the beliefs of such cosmic geniuses as Doh and his Heaven's Gate cult, and their tendencies toward castration and mass suicide as the preparation for the arrival of the alien overlords, it

to the belief that there is a chance ... well, don't waste your time or hold your breath.

Expect clothing styles to change. I mean, don't they always, with every season and each new Jennifer Love Hewitt teen "slasher" flick? Speaking frankly, I'll still wear Hawaiian shirts, because they never go out of style, but Abercrombie or the Gap will no doubt capitalize even more on the attention-deficit industry that is fashion. A resurgence of the days of Baltimore's own "J. Crew U," perhaps? Who knows? One thing's for sure, though: those Chinese labor camps will be working overtime when the fall comes and it's time for the college community to go shopping for new school clothes.

The only thing music trends need in order to capture a new audience is a large net and a stiff wind, so I'm not too worried about

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appears that we're in for quite a millennium, ladies and gentlemen.

With all the excitement and trepidation of the year 2000 being forced down our throats and crammed into every sector of our lives by today's mighty media machines, it's my opinion that we're being made to endure a tortured scenario of our future. It is a future manufactured to make us better consumers and slaves to the military-industrial complex (Forgive me if I'm paranoid ... it keeps me on my toes). Seriously, though, we're making ourselves hysterical with panic and confusion. There isn't going to be a huge, world-ending nuclear war, the Second Coming of Christ or even the longer-awaited Four Non-Blondes reunion tour (come on, you all have to remember them ...). The chances of any of the above occurring on Jan. 1 of the year 2000 are slim, and should you hang on

what I'm going to hear on the radio next year. And if there is a nuclear war? Well, you can pretty much guarantee that N' Sync and the Backstreet Boys will survive the atomic firestorm, along with all the other nuisances that plague our daily lives, like mosquitoes and Maryland Hall.

Speaking of changing society, I'm in a pretty good state of doubt as to whether Loyola will change much come New Year's Day, regardless of our being named "The Official College of the New Millennium." That's not to say, though, that I don't have my own suggestions for a campus-wide millennial renewal. My ideas for change are architectural ones, mostly, like the much-needed and TOTALLY useful glass-enclosed walkway linking the rocking-and-rolling party atmosphere of the ninth floor of Guilford Towers to the roof of Wynnewood East. That project, and my plan for the library's very own helipad, from which we can airlift burnt-out, overworked students to area bars for social re-education, are my lasting contributions to the construction here at Loyola College.

In this ever-changing, precarious, and most paranoid of times, this feeling we get as we drift steadily towards the year 2000 is just a sign that there isn't anything wrong with us. It means we're normal humans, so why change? Frankly, the more and more we "move forward" and "build a bridge to the twenty-first century," all that is getting clearer, using the words of the late Jose Chung, is that "the only thing the beginning of the new millennium will really signal is another thousand years of the same old crap."

The Campus Questionnaire:

Are you in favor of allowing student athletes to register for classes before the rest of the student body?



Suzanne Solferino '01

"Yeah, they probably should. Athletics bring a lot of merit to the school. A lot of students come to this school to play sports, and they should be able to get into classes that fit into their schedule."



Fred Fauth '01

"Should I be allowed to schedule around my job? You have to make a choice. If you make an exception for one group, you have to make an exception for every group. Then it's no longer the exception, it's the rule."



George Convery '00

"No -- any student heavily involved in the SGA, for example, or anything on campus, faces the same commitment. If they have to manage, student athletes shouldn't get preferential treatment."



Jordan Ruch '02

"Yes; athletes have to travel. If they get stuck with classes that don't fit into a good traveling schedule, they can miss them all."

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FEATURES

NO LIMITS

by:
Mike
Cuomo



There's just something about watching girls play flag football and scream obscenities at one another that makes me happy to be alive. Last week, I spoke to you about the annual Powder Puff game, and warned the junior girls about the beating that was awaiting them. I received numerous complaints that my commentary was outrageous and untrue, but thanks to the senior girls, I can laugh at all of you who mocked my psychic powers. How dare you junior girls tell me that my comments were unfounded; you got your butts kicked! And now I can gloat for the rest of the year. Life is sweet.

But enough bashing of the junior class; everybody knows that Powder Puff is a day for the seniors. And what a marvelous day it was indeed.

The game kicked off around 3:30 p.m., but the festivities started much earlier. A few gentlemen of the senior class, who will remain nameless, threw a pre-game party at their place for all of the girls (call it a pep rally if you will), cheerleaders and fans. The party served as a great opportunity for everyone to get fired up and rip-roarin'... well, maybe I'll just leave it at that. Wouldn't want anyone to get upset.

The oasis eventually went dry, and when it did, the whole senior class crew marched on over to Curley Field for the big

game. Yelling, singing, and chanting the whole way. The seniors let the entire community know that they were determined to win. And win they did.

The final score was 30-21 in favor of the senior gals, but the nine-point margin of victory does not do justice to the game that I saw. Maybe I'm biased, but I witnessed a game of total domination by the senior class on both sides of the ball. Offense, defense, special teams, coaching, cheerleading -- we were larger than life. In addition, the senior fans were more vocal, cheering on our team, while we shouted out crude insults to the junior girls. It might have psyched out the younger squad, I'm not really sure, but it was a lot of fun for us fans.

A few memorable highlights from the game included a naked man streaking the field and tripping over himself, the appearance of Barbie and the Rockers, my outrageous half-time motivational speech, the presence of The Ambiguously Gay Duo dressed in full costume on the senior sidelines, and the exceptional athletic show put on by senior star Chelsea, otherwise known as the Australian Express. She literally steam-rolled the junior class.

So the game ended with the

seniors victorious, and it was time to celebrate like any major league sports team after winning the big one. The senior destination: Murphy's Pub (or The Irish Sea, if you actually call it that). Beers, sweat, Buffalo wings, rail drinks, nachos, eight ball, mozzarella sticks, singing, fries, Foosball, dancing, chicken strips, shots, puddles, great tunes, and good friends. It was a celestial collegiate experience.

At one point, senior coach Steve Gyftopoulos stood on the bar and addressed the senior class on the big win. It was loud and I'm not sure of his exact words, but I'll try to do him justice. "I just want to say congratulations to all of the girls who worked so hard and played great today. You all contributed," he said. "Also I want to thank the coaching staff, the cheerleaders, and all of the fans who supported us." Before he got down from his perch, "The Greek" shouted his trademark, "I love college, Yes!" with textbook tone and body language. Well done, Sir.

After Mr. Greek's improvisational speech, I joked around with a few friends and satisfied my appetite with a full plate of nachos that somebody had abandoned. They were a little cold and a few girls told me that they had been sitting out for three hours, but I really didn't care. Aside from the aftertaste of spoiled sour cream, they were absolutely delicious. Besides, a little gin and tonic can take away any nasty tastes.

As I was weaving my way through the packed pub, trying to maintain my balance, Neil Diamond's "Sweet Caroline" suddenly rushed from the speakers, crushing me with a wave of nostalgia. This song had been

playing the first time that I went to Murphy's, nearly three years ago. The crowd erupted with joy and I shouted the words that I knew, while my body did its best to look rhythmic.

A friend of mine turned to me and yelled, "Hey Cuomo, we're really seniors man. Can you believe it?" I nodded my head and smiled, "Yeah, I guess winning Powder Puff really makes it offi-

cial. It feels kind of strange." And it did. I knew that it was senior year, but this was different.

It was nine o'clock on Powder Puff night. We won the game. I was buzzed and dancing with my friends to a great party song. It was senior year and we were all together. And how did I feel at that exact moment? "So good, so good, so good"

Counting Crows wing new material in DC

by Brendan Carty
Staff Writer

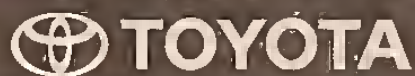
On Thursday, Oct. 28, The Counting Crows played at the 9:30 Club in Washington D.C. to a sold-out crowd. The show began at 7:30 when one of the two opening bands, Joe 90, took the stage. They played a short set, but it was entertaining, and they did a good job of keeping the attention of the impatient crowd. The Gigolo Aunts took the stage shortly after Joe 90 finished, and they were filled with energy. The most memorable song from that set was definitely "Super Ultra Wicked Mega Love," a very upbeat song that helped involve the crowd with a band they were unaware of.

At about 9:00, the speakers began to blast The Beatles' "Magical Mystery Tour." To any Counting Crows fan that has attended a recent concert, this signifies that the band will soon be onstage. Sure enough, Adam Duritz and the rest of the band took the stage and started the show with their hit song "Mr. Jones." The rest of the show included a good mix of songs from their first and second albums, and also from their new album entitled *This Desert Life*. All the old songs seemed to be

rejuvenated with new versions that contained new lyrics. The new songs that were played sounded great live, especially "Hanginaround," their new single. Both Joe 90 and The Gigolo Aunts joined the Crows onstage for this song, and the entire audience was clapping along.

This was my fourth time seeing the Counting Crows in concert and, once again, they did not disappoint. During the show, Duritz owns the stage and the entire audience is captivated. He acts out the songs and sings them with an amazing amount of energy and emotion. Many times during the show, Duritz would stand on top of the front speakers and reach out into the audience. He also stayed after the show had ended and attempted to shake hands with all those standing in the front.

It was an excellent show, and the venue was also great. The 9:30 Club is easy to find and is only about forty minutes away. Future shows of interest include George Clinton and The P-Funk All Stars on Saturday, Nov. 13, and The Samples on Friday, Dec. 3. The Club's full schedule can be found on the Internet at <http://www.930.com>.



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FEATURES

Being John Malkovich proves funny and thought provoking Cusack, Diaz and Malkovich star in Spike Jonze's first cinematic effort

by Brendan A. Maher
Features Editor

Sporting an oddly-arranged cast of characters in one of the wildest storylines since *Brazil*, *Being John Malkovich* waxes independent care of acclaimed music-video director Spike Jonze (credits: "Sabotage" by the Beatie Boys and that hilarious Fatboy Slim video in which he appears). Ranging from darkly funny to utterly disturbing, this film addresses the postmodern conventions of love and identity through an intricate plot that inevitably collapses within its own absurdity.

Take Craig Schwartz, a tortured and out-of-work puppeteer played by actor/writer/director/kickboxer John Cusack. Schwartz's street performances about sexual entendre are abhorred by parents and children alike. His wife Lotte (played by a disheveled-looking Cameron Diaz) is an equally tortured transsexual pet store employee who has turned her home into a zoo for injured animals. Elija, her chimpanzee, is suffering from a psychosomatic ulcer due to a traumatic childhood experience. But that is only the beginning of this wild psychosexual ride into the abnormal.

To make ends meet, the nimble-fingered Schwartz gets a job as a file clerk. He meets and immediately becomes obsessed with the other woman, Maxine (played by the entrancing yet abrasive

Catherine Keener). The office is filled with fantastic Hellerisms -- catch-22s like an administrative assistant who has studied speech impediments for so long that she cannot understand a word anyone says to her.

Where does John "stop or the bunny gets it" Malkovich come into all of this, you ask? Well, inside the office is a small door covering a rather coital-looking tunnel. Schwartz explores, and finds that it leads to the head of none other than New York actor John Malkovich (played a little too comfortably by none other than John Malkovich). After a few minutes of seeing, feeling and being everything from the Malkovich point of view, Schwartz is cast out to a far worse place (you'll find out where for yourself). This is where the real fun begins.

The acting is first-rate. Each character is well cast, and one should be able to believe that Diaz could be as frumpy and unappealing as she is in this movie. Cusack fills his wishy-washiest shoes since *Better Off Dead*, and does so with a vengeance. Keener dominates the screen as a seductive and strong-willed vamp. She is the Lady Macbeth who sees no spots. Honorable mention goes to Orson Bean, who plays the fast-talking, dirty-minded, helluva good boss of Schwartz. He has been in movies and theater before most of the other actors in the film were out of their training pants,

but we'd all probably only remember him as that villain who gets shrunk to half-size in *Innerspace*.

Most of all, though, kudos go to John Horatio Malkovich, who is extraordinarily competent as himself. Now is the time to start wondering what would happen if he stepped through the moist and cushy portal to his own mind. He is an actor of phenomenal strength when it comes to playing outlandish people, and there are none more outlandish than he.

Coordinating all of this experience on the screen is a relatively inexperienced production staff. The script is the debut from the obviously troubled mind of writer Charlie Kaufman. Under the production of REM's Michael Stipe, Jonze makes his cinematic debut and adapts the script to the screen with a wild and imaginative style. I only wonder if the film's shortcomings stem from the fledgling director anxious to succeed in another genre, or the inexperienced screenwriter who tries too hard to tie up loose ends.

Halfway through the film, we see *Being John Malkovich*



It's not easy being John Malkovich, but somebody has to do it.

photo by Melissa Moseley

start to lose the sharp and biting humor that shines through the blanket of mystical realism that glues the plot together. By the end of the film, this truly magical experience of living vicariously (but also literally) through someone else, becomes little more than a science experiment. While it does well to gather the bits and pieces of information splattered throughout the plot, it loses its momentum as a dark comedy. By the end, I felt I was watching a sci-fi thriller that could do little to could sur-

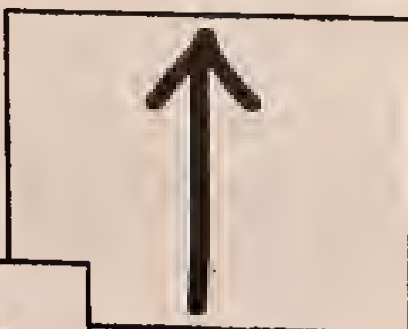
prise me.

That being said, though, the movie is still worth the price of a ticket. It is too fresh and bizarre a film to simply pass up. The acting is phenomenal, and the storyline is thoughtful and compelling. The first half will have you riveted to your seat, and you'll have to sit around to see what happens.

Being John Malkovich is currently playing at the Rotunda, but is due for a massive release probably by next weekend. Check it out and get out of your head.



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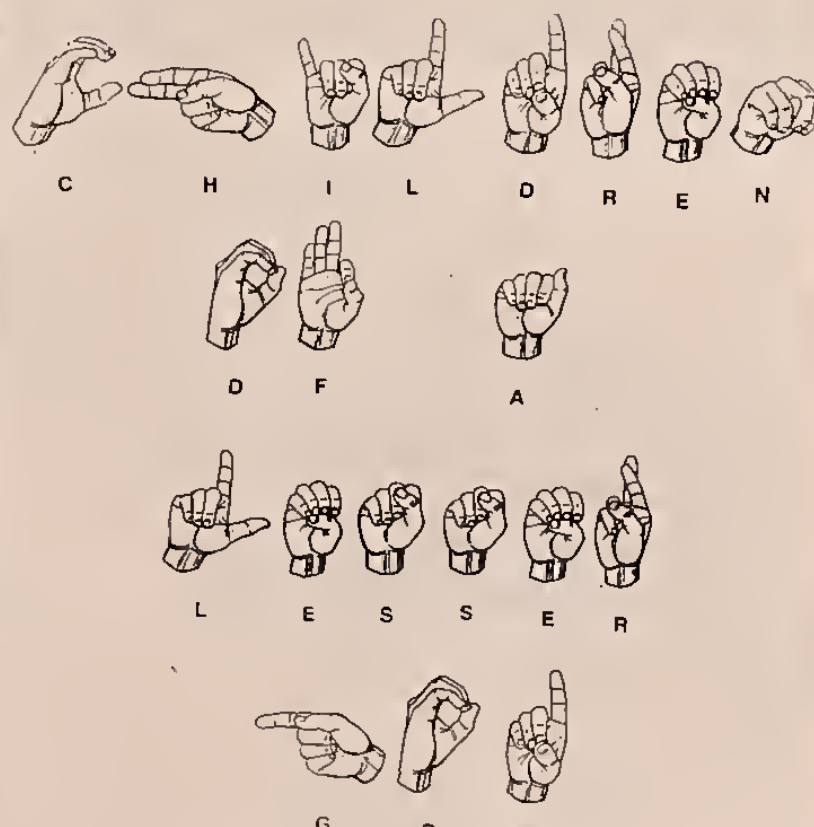
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FEATURES

LINER NOTES

by Chris Hamilton

This Week:
The Clash
From Here to
Eternity

OK ... this got on my nerves. It's a Wednesday night, early 1996. I'm sitting on the couch avoiding some high school homework, as was my practice on Wednesday nights. I'm flipping around my cable-less television (yeah, I'm that guy) and, looking for something that's not *Homeboys from Outer-space* or *Home Improvement*, I find *The 38th Annual Grammy Awards*. Ok, I'll watch this ... at least until Alanis comes on. But I wasn't even prepared for what was next. Annie Lennox ... you know, the girl from The Eurythmics. She was singing The Clash's "Train In Vain." OK, there are plenty of reasons why this shouldn't have happened. First of all, it's Annie Lennox. Second of all, she had a gospel chorus as back up singers. Who let this get by on national TV? I mean, they censor George Carlin, why not censor this? It's far more profane.

This isn't the only desecration of The Clash's music I've observed in recent history. Last week, I rolled out of bed at my usual obscenely late hour. I flip on the TV, and there's Will Smith himself getting jiggy with it on some new video on MTV. Now, frankly, I think that everything Will Smith has done since "Parents Just Don't Understand" has been hella lame, but I guess that's just me. Now, I'm watching this video called "Will 2K," and what do I hear ... "Shareef don't like it / Rockin' the Casbah / Rock the Casbah." But it's not that ... it's Will Smith muttering something about how cool he is or something. Sampling!

It's a shame to witness the scraps left from easily the most influential punk band outside the Sex Pistols ever. Some of The Clash's best music is reserved for Levi's commercials and background music for bad rappers. That's where *From Here*

To Eternity comes into play. Seventeen of The Clash's best cuts done live on (unfortunately) a single disc. *From Here To Eternity* features a good mix of early Clash hits as well as later songs from *Combat Rock*. To my pleasure, none of the post-Mick Jones Clash cuts were included from their 1984 tour and their last album, *Cut the Crap*. However, the album does leave off several important Clash cuts: their first single ever, "White Riot," the next big Will Smith hit, "Rock the Casbah," and my personal favorite Clash tune, "Spanish Bombs," (off 1979's *London Calling*).

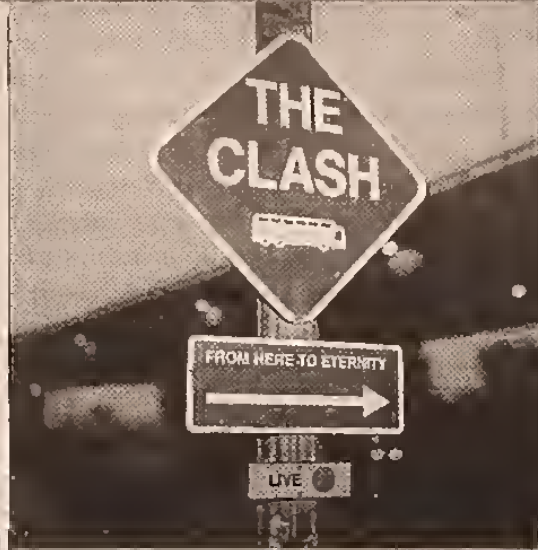
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On the other hand, all the material that is included is classic. Seven songs are featured from The Clash's self-titled debut, including an excellent version of "(White Man) In Hammersmith Palais," "Clash City Rockers," and their cover of Bobby Fuller Four's "I Fought the Law."

Three of the best tracks from *London Calling* (the title track, "Train in Vain," and "Guns of Brixton") enhance the second half of the album.

Finally, three from *Combat Rock* ("Know Your Rights," "Should I Stay Or Should I Go?," and "Straight to Hell") cap off the album.

Overall, the album illustrates what The Clash did best -- put on a kick-a** punk rock show. But don't take my word for it. Pick it up before you hear Puff Daddy's version!

Entertainment News Bites
*Now in regular and extra chunky*by Reagan Warfield
Staff Writer

A five-year-old girl undergoing chemotherapy for leukemia had one wish: to meet the Backstreet Boys when they perform in suburban Detroit this weekend. But the pop quintet refused Morgan Zalewski's request, which was made on her behalf by The Rainbow Connection, an association that grants the wishes of dying and seriously ill children. The pitiless heartbreakers claim they don't have enough time to fulfill such requests.

America's sweetheart Dennis Rodman and alleged actress Carmen Electra were arrested Friday on domestic violence charges after a noisy fight at a Miami Beach hotel, police said. The devoted couple has been divorced since April.

Ice Cube has engaged some hip-hop heavy-hitters including the Wu-Tang Clan, Eminem, and Lil' Zane to offer tracks for the soundtrack to his upcoming film, *Next Friday*.

The sequel to the 1995 comedy hit will open in theaters this holiday season.

The argument for atheism has some new support: Baby, Sporty, Posh and Scary Spices announced on Thursday that, de-

spite solo careers, the Spice Girls will stay together. The not-so-fab-four commented, "We all have different things we want to do, [but] for us the priority is the Spice Girls."

The two stars of the *The X-Files*, Gillian Anderson and David Duchovny, will get romantic on the Nov. 28 episode in celebration of the new millennium.

Maxim's testosterone-dizzy babes-and-beer formula has earned it a sarcastic spoof in *POPSmear* magazine. Some of the articles mentioned on the cover of "Maxum" include a special on "Bedroom Bragging" that offers "Sexy tales to tell people in case they think you're gay or something."

POPSmear editors also splashed a promise on the cover that they felt *Maxim* readers would respond to: "Now with fewer complete sentences!"

From now until Dec. 31, the body-movin' Beastie Boys are offering fans the chance to visit <http://www.musicmaker.com> and create their own best-of compilation, from the track listing to the title.

Included in the 150 tracks being made available for the compilation are two songs that the Beastie Boys did with their former DJ, DJ Hurricane ("Four Fly Guys" and

"Stick 'Em U"), as well as rare b-sides including a cover of the Doors' "Light My Fire."

Let the gerbil jokes commence: Richard Gere has been christened "Sexiest Man Alive" by *People*.

Who wants to meet Regis? ABC has a new number for prospective millionaires. The phone number to try and qualify for "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?" is 877-258-5808. Callers will be asked three questions to find out how stupid they are.

The phone number will be available from 3 p.m. to 3 a.m. until Nov. 18.

Towson's Recher Theatre hosts the cute and cuddly Insane Clown Posse on Nov. 16.

The next night, the same spot exhibits Wilco. Mellifluous Moby and the Lo-Fidelity Allstars are Nov. 25. Snag your tickets through ProTix at (410) 481-6500.

Kid Rock's diminutive sidekick Joe C. is taking a break from touring to take care of his health. According to a label spokeswoman, Joe C. (who suffers from celiac disease, a digestive disorder which requires him to use a dialysis machine) will remain on hiatus until the end of the year.

The self-proclaimed Pimp of the Nation, Kid Rock, played the Patriot Center last week.

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SPORTS

Weekly Recreational Sports Update

Loyola College
GOBBLER DASH 5K & 1 Mile Walk
 Sun., November 21, 10:00am



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Date _____

Intramural Sports Calendar

SPORT:	SIGN-UPS BEGIN:	FFF:
Sports Trivia Contest	TEAM ENTRIES DUE NO LATER THAN TOMORROW, NOV. 10!	\$20
5K Gobbler Dash Race	Nov. 1 Nov. 19 Race Day: Sun. Nov. 21	\$15
*Indoor Soccer Leagues	Nov. 29 Dec. 3 Jan. 26 Jan. 26	\$20
*Indoor Soccer Leagues will begin play in January		

Final Volleyball Standings

KA POSSE	7-0
POST GRADS	6-1
RINGERS	5-2
MIGHTY QUINN	4-3
CLEARY HOUSE	3-4
STUDS-N-DIVAS	3-4
BUTLER	2-5
CHOCOLATE/D.CH.	1-6



Co-ed Volleyball News: KA POSSE continues its second semester of dominance in indoor
 play. In a highly anticipated match on the last night of the regular season, Aimee Aluzzo's
 team easily handled THE POST GRADS 15-3 & 15-4. Congratulations to Adam Gluck and
 his team THE RINGERS for advancing to the playoffs for the first time in two years!

Playoff Matches tonight:

8:45pm: POST GRADS vs. RINGERS, Reitz Ct. A
 9:45pm: KA POSSE vs. MIGHTY QUINN, Reitz Ct. A
 Championship Match: Mon. Nov. 15, 9pm, Reitz Ct. A

Special thanks to: our staff members who helped make this season happen: Jill
 Brinkerhoff, Sondra Lucente, Paul Boehmler, Ryan Woodcock, and Jack Colburn.

Final Softball Standings

MEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE	CO-ED SOFTBALL LEAGUE
TANKED	BEAVERS
FLOYD & FRIENDS	BROWN TEAM
BUGGERY	NOTORIOUS TWP
BALLS DEEP	DOPE SHOW
REC. USERS	LOPEZ-VIOLA
TFD	
NATURALS	
CHICO'S BB'S	

Final Floor Hockey Standings

UNHOLY ALLIANCE	5-0
MOLSON ICE	2-2-1
OTIS DAY & THE KNIGHTS	2-1-2
WATER BUFFALOS	1-2-1
RINGERS	0-5

Floor Hockey News: During the last week of the regular season, OTIS DAY & THE KNIGHTS
 solidified its record with a 15-8 victory over THE RINGERS. Chasing the single-season
 scoring record, Ryan "Packy" Kavaney never bothered to leave offensive zone, scoring
 fourteen goals on thirty-five shots. Anthony Auriemma had the other goal plus fourteen
 assists. Advancing to the playoffs as the third seed, OTIS DAY & THE KNIGHTS faced
 the second seed MOLSON ICE in a Semi-Final playoff matchup. The game was close
 throughout the entire match. MOLSON ICE had a two goal after the first period and ODK
 tied the score at four through two periods. Playing a shorthanded due to a penalty on Paul
 Trupia, MOLSON ICE tied the score 8-8 late in the third period to force the sudden death
 overtime period. Despite all of the goals scored, both goalies played terrific, especially in
 the overtime period, forcing penalty shots. Still tied after three penalty shots for each team,
 Pete Dudley score the game winner for MOLSON ICE. Mike Buzzard's team will face league
 champion THE UNHOLY ALLIANCE in the Championship Game. Pat Uppole stopped 25
 shots leading his team to the 4-0 shutout victory over THE WATER BUFFALOS. Fifth-year
 senior Mike Schlosser had two goals, fifth-year alumni Rich Galaso had one, and Nolan
 Bos scored the other goal for Tyler Webb's THE UNHOLY ALLIANCE. Championship
 Game results can be found in next weeks edition of The Greyhound. Thanks to all of our
 participants & officials who helped make this season successful!

Schedule of Events (Nov. 9 - Nov. 15)



Tues. 11/9	IM Co-Ed Soccer	6-8pm	Curley 1&2
	IM Flag Football	6-8pm	Curley 3
	IM VB Playoffs begin	8:30-11pm	Reitz A (matches begin at 8:45pm)
	IM Basketball	9pm-12am	Reitz B&C
	IM Basketball	11pm-12am	Reitz A
Wed. 11/10	Sports Trivia Captain's Mtg, 4:30-5pm, MD Hall 2		
	IM Flag Football	6-8pm	Curley 2&3
	M. Club Volleyball Scrimmage at CND		
Thurs. 11/11	IM Flag Football	6-8pm	Curley 3
Fri. 11/12	Make-up (PPD Rain) IM Soccer Games TBA		
Sat. 11/13	Racquetball & Squash Tournaments		Reitz Arena
	M. Club Volleyball Alumni Match, 6:30-10pm, Reitz A		
	Ice Hockey Home Game vs. Univ. of Virginia, 6pm, Ice World, Bel Air		
Sun. 11/14	IM Soccer	12:45-5:30pm	Curley 1&2
	IM Flag Football	5:45-8pm	Curley 2&3
Mon. 11/15	IM Flag Football	4:45-8pm	Curley 2&3
	IM VB Championship Match, 9-10pm		Reitz A
	IM Basketball	9pm-12am	Reitz B&C
	IM Basketball	10-12am	Reitz A

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 planned for this fall. The trips are filled on first come, first serve basis, and no experience
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The semester has passed by quickly-it's almost Thanksgiving! If you have not
 yet experienced one of the exciting trips OAE has planned, it is now time for you to sign
 up.

On October 29, Kristen Pakonis and Monica Deady took a group of 10 to Whittings
 Neck in WV. The group learned about the basics of horizontal caving, as well as the
 importance of conservation and safety within the cave. In the group's excursion, they
 saw several interesting features and even a bat. The trip's success was a result of both
 safety-conscious actions and the group's enthusiasm for caving.

Our final trip of the semester is approaching quickly. One more caving trip will be
 offered for more Loyola students to see the beauty of underground life. For those of you
 who have never been below the earth's surface, a whole world exists below. Just one final
 opportunity is left this semester for you to journey underground with OAE trained staff
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 find out more about any of these trips or about how to set one up for your own group, call
 OAE at x2270. For the fall semester, the remaining planned trip is: **CAVING ON NOVEMBER
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SPORTS

Second line leads Hounds to win over Hopkins

Jampol-scores hat trick as Loyola moves to 5-1

by Kristin Baydalla
Staff Writer

In less than a week's time, the Loyola College Ice Hounds have added another two wins to their record, improving to 5-1.

On Saturday, Oct. 30, the Ice Hounds took on Navy at Ice World, their home rink in Bel Air, MD. The Hounds were taking the ice less than 24 hours after a tough loss to UMBC, and they were taking on a team that they had yet to defeat in the history of the club.

Navy was able to score the first goal of the game in the first four minutes of play. Coaches Allan Sheahan and Rich Galasso accompanied the rest of the team with moral support from the benches. The support worked and senior Sean Llewellyn was able to answer the Navy goal with 3:48 left in the period off of assists from sophomore Phil Jampol and freshman Kevin Sardelli.

The same line came through again with a Llewellyn power play goal after six minutes had gone by in the second period to give Loyola the lead. Three minutes later,

sophomore Matt Kelly scored an unassisted goal, the first goal of his collegiate hockey career. Ice Hounds scoring was not finished yet, as freshman Tom Molloy scored off of a pass from junior Geoff Burroughs for the third Loyola power play goal of the period.

The final Greyhound goal of the game came unassisted compliments

Ice Arena on Nov. 4. Despite the fact that Mt. Pleasant is Hopkins's home rink, the fans that came out to support the Ice Hounds dominated 90 percent of the stands.

The tension-filled grudge match started off shaky as the Ice Hounds appeared to be tired. Hopkins was able to score once in the first, but only when the Hounds had two men in the penalty box.

Loyola and Hopkins games tend to be filled with fights and penalties. This game, however, was a much calmer event in comparison to the two games against Hopkins last year. Even though the game was not filled with fights and disqualifications, it proved to be an exciting match.

of freshman Demetrios Nanavakis. Navy was able to sneak one more past freshman goaltender Pat Slattery, but the Ice Hounds won out by a final score of 5-2, making their first victory over Navy one for the record books.

Coming off of this emotion-packed victory, the Ice Hounds challenged Johns Hopkins for the first time of the season at Mt. Pleasant

The Ice Hounds' second offensive line dominated, tallying four of the six goals of the game. Most impressive was Jampol, who with the help of his linemates Llewellyn and Sardelli, scored the first three goals of the game to earn his first hat trick of his career. The rowdy and supportive fans threw hats onto the ice after his third goal of the first period, only to have them

confiscated by the officials.

The line was not finished yet. The first goal of the second period came from Llewellyn, who was assisted by his linemates, bringing the score to 4-1. Nanavakis also put one past the Hopkins goalie off of an assist from senior Jon Smith and Burroughs.

Hopkins was able to bring the game within two, sliding one past junior goaltender Barry Johnson. The final goal of the game came from Molloy with six seconds left, bringing the score to 6-3 and assuring the impressive Greyhound victory.

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The Ice Hounds' next game is on Nov. 13 at Ice World in Bel Air against Virginia at 6:15 p.m. The next game against Hopkins is scheduled for Nov. 22 at Mt. Pleasant at 10:15 p.m.

NFL experiencing unpredictable season

Titans and Rams are among early-season surprises

by Joe Marcello
Staff Writer

Finally, the penultimate year of the millennium is producing the most exciting and unpredictable season in NFL history. You can throw all your preseason predictions and polls out the window. This season will be determined by the power of the human spirit, and not the swami.

But what if it's not the human spirit? What if it's divine intervention? Well, I guess St. Louis and Tennessee are the blessed. Is God sending us a message? Will this be the last season of NFL football? One can only wonder when Kurt Warner and Tyrone Wheatley are key performers every week. Is God producing all these underdog triumphs for His own pleasure? I don't believe it is the authority high above, but it makes you think. There are so many underdog stories this year that nobody knows what to expect.

If it's not divine intervention, then it must be justice, and it is finally being served. The hard-working quarterback who was groomed in the Arena League and NFL Europe is today's star, not crybabies like Ryan Leaf. Rookies like Jevon Kearse of the Titans and Edgerrin James of the Colts are leading their respective teams to winning records. Even veteran has-beens like Neil O'Donnell and Jeff George have become spark-plugs. If I were a betting man, I would head for Gamblers Anonymous before the second half of the season starts on Sunday, because this is the year of the underdog.

What's best about 1999 is that

the traditional powerhouse squads of the '90s are running scared. The 49ers, Green Bay and Dallas are struggling to find consistency. Preseason favorites like the Falcons, Jets, Vikings and Broncos are just mediocre teams in a league that has caught up to their trickery. Opposing coordinators have figured out the magic behind last year's shockers. The beauty of this season is that none of the teams I mentioned above are Super Bowl favorites. Finally, a football fan's dream has been answered; there is no favorite in '99.

Although the Titans, Rams, Dolphins and Jaguars are all at 6-1, they can't be considered favorites. That's not to say they don't have a chance. But, if we learned anything from the first half of the season, we all know that anything can happen. There is not one team this season that can dominate like the Broncos, Packers, 49ers, and Cowboys have for the bulk of this decade. Elway is gone, defenses have figured out Randall and Randy, Steve Young may be knocked out for the last time, and poor Jets fans never imagined Vinny would fall down so hard on the Meadowlands turf.

Who will step up in the second half? Look for Green Bay to stabilize behind the will of Brett Favre. The NFC should also look out for the Redskins. The resurrection of Norv Turner and the brilliance of Brad Johnson will lead the Redskins to the prestigious NFC East title. Wait, that was the '80s.

The more competitive conference this year is the AFC. Ironically, the best division in the NFL is the AFC East. If only the Super

Bowl could be between two AFC teams this year. Who will be the top teams in the second half? Miami has depth, but they can easily throw it all away. Jaguars are 6-1 but a bit unsure of themselves. Mark Brunell has lost a bit of confidence, and Tom Coughlin has not been using him as much. The Jaguars are becoming a power-run offense behind Fred Taylor's able legs, but for the Jags to continue on in the playoffs, Brunell has to get back to top form.

The Patriots are the most underrated team in the AFC. Yes, they have played several close contests against teams they should have knocked out easily, but they have the weapons to contend in the second half. Pete Carroll has to fire up the players, and Ben Coates has to stop whining about not getting the damn ball.

As for the sleepers in the AFC, watch out for Oakland and never

count out the Broncos.

Too many teams have what it takes to make some noise this year? Hopefully, this trend will continue. The NFL has to avoid the path baseball has taken. In baseball, the big-budget teams are the favorites each year. Blockbuster trades are common and free agency can make or break a team. Football is different, and every team, no matter the market, has the potential to shine. Yes, even the Bengals were good once.

This season is shaping up to be a very special one. The talent gap is being narrowed. The human spirit is taking over. David is slaying Goliath, and not just once a week, but two, three, and four times a week. As football fans, we all can't wait for the season to start, but what fun is it if the oddsmakers are always right? This is the new NFL, and what better time for it to emerge.

Powder Puff 99



Junior cheerleaders root on their classmates as part of the 1999 Powder Puff Game. The seniors, led by quarterback Chelsea Morley, came out on top in a hotly contested affair.

photo by Maureen Traverse

Sports Shorts

by Greyhound sports editors

For the second straight week, the sporting world mourned the loss of one of their biggest stars. Walter Payton, the NFL's all-time leading rusher, died after battling liver cancer. With his powerful style on the field along with his modest demeanor off of it, Sweetness will be remembered for far more than his rushing record.

Scottie Pippen a Blazer. Phil Jackson in Los Angeles. Anfernee Hardaway in Phoenix. With the flurry of transactions, the NBA is once again primed for an exciting season.

The Ken Griffey Jr. sweepstakes have already started. Mariners star outfielder wants out of Seattle to be closer to his family in Orlando. The early frontrunner for his services are the Braves, who are still smarting over an embarrassing World Series sweep by the Yankees.

Andre Rison (Kansas City Chiefs): Bar fight
Rodney Buford (Miami Heat): Marijuana possession
Dee Brown (Toronto Raptors): Drunk Driving

Every week, the police blotter for professional athletes seems to be getting as long as the transaction wire.

With new rule changes that are designed to eliminate contact on the defensive end, the NBA is hoping to create more offense. Note to David Stern: How is anyone in the league supposed to stop Allen Iverson without putting a hand on him?

This week, the Orioles inked ex-Indian manager Mike Hargrove. Now, they have a new scapegoat for a roster filled with overpaid under-achievers.

Isn't it amazing that everyone was so wrapped up in a Powder Puff football game, but we can't fill Reitz Arena to watch a Division I basketball game?

Coming soon to an unemployment line near you: Mike Ditka, Bruce Coslet, John Muckler, Jim Gray.

SPORTS

Volleyball team getting hot in time for MAAC tourney

by Kristie Veith
Staff Writer

The plague which has cursed the women's volleyball team seems to have disappeared. It may seem like too little too late, but the team has finally reached a new level and has accomplished the task of finishing matches.

"Throughout the season, our team has struggled to find a way to keep the momentum which is crucial in volleyball," said freshman outside hitter Lindsay Mead.

This was definitely not the case this past

Loyola regained the momentum and never looked back, stealing games two and three from the Purple Eagles.

Game four was neck and neck, with both teams fighting hard on both the offensive and defensive ends of the court. In the end, Niagara pulled out a final-minute win in game four, 15-13, sending the match into a fifth game.

In game five, Loyola pulled out all the stops. "Game five was probably the best offensive game we have played all year," said freshman outside hitter Mary Hamsher. The team stepped it up offensively, finding

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weekend when the team traveled to upstate New York to compete against two MAAC rivals.

The first of the two matches was against Niagara. Loyola defeated Niagara in each of their last four contests. Niagara, rallying behind the support of the home court crowd, came out on fire in game one. Loyola got out to a slow start and quickly found themselves down six points. Toward the end of game, Loyola began to pick up their level of play and rallied back to close the gap. Despite their efforts, Niagara stole game one 15-12.

In game two, a different Loyola team took the court, with the Greyhounds stepping up their level of play several notches. Several members of the team were responsible for the change of momentum in the match. Senior captains Shauna Lagatol and Kristie Veith led the team offensively and defensively, followed by the solid play of juniors Jane Gibbons, Carisa Kreichauf, Kerry Quinn and Lincy Chacko.

"There was just a different feeling on the court against Niagara; there was a chemistry that we have been trying so hard to find," said outside hitter Gibbons. Freshman middle hitter Kelly Smith and freshman setter Jen Mengelt turned in performances beyond their years, with Smith recording nine kills and 11 digs, and Mengelt providing 35 assists and two aces.

the holes in the Niagara defense, while allowing for very few in their own defense. This level of play allowed the team to defeat Niagara in the fifth game 15-13 to win the match three games to two.

The next day, the team traveled to Canisius College to face their final MAAC opponent of the 1999 season. Riding the momentum from the exciting victory over Niagara, Loyola came out ready to play.

Led by senior Erin Ovas, who was dominant offensively in game one, Canisius came away with a 15-10 victory.

In game two, Loyola made several changes to their lineup in order to defend against the strong attack of Ovas, who put down 35 kills in the match.

This strategy worked for the Greyhounds as they played much better and took control of the game.

Behind the offense of Kreichauf and Lagatol, the Greyhounds defeated Canisius in the next three games, 15-8, 15-10, 15-13.

"It was truly a great weekend for our team, we really pulled together and fought hard from start to finish," said Quinn. "It's a shame we couldn't have found this new level of play earlier on in the season."

The team is hoping to carry this momentum into this upcoming weekend when they compete in the Yale Invitational against St. Francis, Yale, University of Pennsylvania, and Sacred Heart.

Hounds fall one place short of goal at Van Cortland Park

by Geoff Karabin and Dave Reynaud
Staff Writers

The Loyola men's cross country team had one special date on their calendar when the season started: Oct. 31. This was the date of the MAAC Championships. Senior co-captain Dave Mandel said, "This is the day we've all been waiting for; we've got to lay it all out there today."

The Hounds set a goal of finishing in the top five as a team at the beginning of the season. "We've already served notice that we are a team on the rise locally, now we have to show the MAAC what's up. They [the other MAAC teams] aren't going to have us to push around any more," said junior Andrew Lemanski.

After it was all said and done, the Hounds came up one place short, falling to St. Peter's by 13 points. Junior Tom Zukoski led the Hounds with a 19th place finish. Running 27:12, Zukoski finished in the top 20 for his third straight MAAC race. "The course was real slow today," he said. "I felt my time did not reflect the race I ran, and I think most of my teammates feel the same way."

Following Zukoski was senior co-captain Geoff Karabin with a 27th place finish. "Karabin is one of those lead-by-example guys. While some of his leadership ideas may be unorthodox, he is always laying it all on the line, and therefore, he expects everyone to do the same," said junior Eric Riopko.

Next for the Hounds was sophomore Dave Reynaud, placing 43rd. Reynaud was

followed by Mandel, who finished 50th. Mandel was nursing an abdominal injury the last two weeks of the season. "You really hate seeing this happen to such a great guy. After all that Dave has done for this program, it was sad to see," said sophomore Matt Sgrizzi.

Junior Jason McCaskey rounded out the top five for the Hounds, finishing 62nd. "This is a race we will have to put behind us," he said. The effort was there, but it just wasn't our day.

Finishing 66th and 72nd respectively were freshman Dan DeYoung and senior co-captain Mike Fregeau. Fregeau said after the race, "I was hurting today, but I knew I had to go on. This is a team, and teams have to stick together. We just didn't run to capability today; that happens, but we all tried our hardest and that is what counts."

Freshman Paul Vece and junior J.J. Gartland ran 31:54 and 32:11 for the Hounds.

Gartland was bothered by stomach problems all day, but fought through them to run his best race this year.

Gartland summed up the day best by saying, "Falling short of a goal by so close is always a huge disappointment. But considering the roller coaster year we had, we take nothing for granted. I just feel bad for the seniors, who don't have next year, so I am dedicating my 2000 season to them."

On Nov. 13, the Hounds travel to Lehigh for the NCAA Regionals. The Hounds will see the best teams from this section of the country there. To quote Lemanski, "We're just looking for a little respect."

Loyola Sports Calendar

Ongoing Event

Volleyball at MAAC Championships
Nov. 12-14, Siena College

Tuesday (Nov. 9)

Volleyball at Navy
7 p.m.

Wednesday (Nov. 10)

Women's Basketball vs. Rotabanska (Exhibition)
7 p.m. Reitz Arena

Thursday (Nov. 11)

Volleyball at Morgan State
7 p.m.

Saturday (Nov. 13)

Men's Basketball vs. Nantucket Nectars (Exhibition)
2 p.m. Reitz Arena
Swimming and Diving Alumni Meet
1 p.m.
Cross Country Teams at NCAA Regionals
11 a.m., Lehigh

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SPORTS

Athlete of the Week: Cross Country runner Jennifer Aversa

by Mike D'Imperio
Staff Writer

The word "dedication" can mean so many different things when it comes to athletics, but with sophomore cross country runner Jenn Aversa, it means everything. This week's Greyhound Athlete of the Week has personified this intricate word in so many ways.

It has been a year full of adversity and things not turning out as planned, but definite strides have been made for future success in the women's cross country program. Finishing fifth at the MAAC Championships on Halloween was more of a trick than a treat, but it has given this very young team some much-needed experience. With a squad made up of eight freshmen, two sophomores and one junior, somebody who knew how to win had to step up. That person was soon realized, as Jenn Aversa showed her true skill and came out hard in the beginning of the season.

Only a sophomore, Aversa has taken the MAAC by storm this year, running personal bests and leading the Loyola women's cross country team to a strong finish in the division. Early in the season, Aversa ran a 19:05 at Salisbury State which earned her second place in that race, and that led up

to her season-best 18:54 and a third-place finish at the Maryland State Championships held at Oregon Ridge.

"My times have definitely dropped this year," said Aversa, "but I would like to be running under 19:00 a little more consistently." Her best race in two collegiate seasons was an 18:39 last year at Gettysburg, one of the biggest competitions of the season. Despite running below 19:00 only once this year, she said her goal for the year was to "stay under 20:00 all season," and she definitely met that goal.

With the whole season leading up to the MAAC championships at Van Cortland Park in New York, none of the previous times mattered. The team came into the season with high expectations of winning the race, and they were determined to prove themselves. The only problem with this optimism was that they had gone through a lot of problems during the season. "A lot of things didn't click," said Aversa. "We had to rely too much on a team full of little collegiate experience."

Aversa said, "A lot of work goes into the season during the summer, and a lot of people didn't do what they should have." Basically, the season was a rebuilding year in which the team got the necessary experience to win next year.

In the actual race, the true definition and personification of the word "determination" were displayed by Aversa. A short time after the start, she blacked out and fell to her hands and knees. After being in this state for several seconds, thirty people passed her, and she still got up and continued to run. Her pure heart led her to finish in an incredible time of 19:53, which was first for Loyola and seventh in the MAAC. "If I didn't get up," she said, "I would be letting the team down."

This heart and determination has made her a true leader on the team, and also an example for the younger runners to admire. "We look to her as a role model," said freshman Colleen McGarvey. "Her dedication to the team and school is unbelievable." Colleen also said, "Jenn has a positive attitude about everything, but still she doesn't lie and say we can win when she knows we can't."

These qualities have made Aversa Loyola's top runner, and the team captain this year. "I lead by example, I'm not very vocal," said Aversa. "I hope the girls are mature enough to know what they have to do."

Coming from four years of varsity experience at Mount deSales Academy in Maryland, Aversa knows what she has to do. "I started running freshman year be-



Sophomore Jennifer Aversa overcame sickness to place seventh overall at the MAACs.

photo by Maureen Traverse

cause all my friends were going to run, but they all quit," said Aversa. "Then I kept doing it to get in shape for lacrosse, but I got hooked and never even played lacrosse." This eventually paid off, as she was named All-County and All-Metro her senior year in high school, as well as being the recipient of the Army National Guard Scholar-Athlete Award.

The team is undergoing a lot of changes, and hopefully they will be right there again in the front of the pack at the MAAC championship next year. For that to happen, Aversa said that "the team must develop more of an internal trust in order to gel next season."

As for now, Aversa will take her

hard work and dedication to the indoor track season following the cross country team's last race in two weeks at Lehigh University for the NCAA Regionals. "Year round training is very important," said Aversa. "It helps keep the edge of the starting line and competition, something very helpful during the season."

With Coach Sean Moran trying to bring the team to the level a Division I team should be at, the program has gotten a lot more intense, and the team is expected to work twice as hard.

Whatever does happen next year, one thing remains certain: the dedication of Jenn Aversa to the cross country team.

Teammates meet down under to settle Championship *Morlang and Peck showcase talent, leadership in Australia*

by Paul Ruppel
Athletic Communications Student Assistant

Thousands of miles from Curley Field, in the land down under, Stacey Morlang and Lauren Peck became "mates."

But before they could don the green and gray as "teammates" for Loyola College, they first had to wear their national team colors in a tenacious battle for the International Federation of Women's Lacrosse Associations (IFWLA) Under-19 World Championships held last month in Perth, Australia. The Australian

U-19 national squad was attempting to defend their world title, which came four years ago against the United States on American soil. Playing seven games in seven days, Morlang and Peck helped their respective teams advance once again to the championship game.

Peck, 18, has been playing lacrosse since the third grade. She comes to Loyola after an All-American high school season, where she led her team to third place in Anne Arundel County, a lacrosse hot-bed. She compiled more than 100 points in her senior

year alone, breaking a school record. Peck was picked from a nationwide pool of talented high school lacrosse players to represent America in Perth, started every game at low attack and scored a handful of goals as well.

"It was really exciting, it was just such a high caliber of play," Peck said. "Our (U.S.) team was just so close. I think people really underestimate the importance of that. It can make or break a team." She said she's already seen that same kind of connection in the short time

she's been practicing with Loyola.

Morlang is a native of Victoria on the eastern side of the Australian continent where, like her two older brothers, she grew up playing club lacrosse. "It's not played in schools like it is here in the States," she said. When she came to Loyola in January of last year, Morlang noticed a few differences in the way the game was played.

"It was a different style game and it's a higher intensity," she said. "I loved it."

She appeared to adjust well. In the Greyhounds' 10-9 upset victory last over the second-ranked Virginia Cavaliers last April, she scored five goals, including the

game-winner with just over two minutes remaining. At the IWLFA Championships, Morlang captained the Australian squad to six victories and a finals berth. Along the way, she poured in an astounding 32 tallies with seven-, eight- and nine-goal performances.

Peck and Morlang said they watched a number of each others' games while they were in Australia. They bonded on a few occasions at the hotel where all eight of the international teams were housed, and their families even got together for dinner one night. But it was all business in the Sept. 10 championship final.

The United States jumped out to a 9-4 lead over Australia and never looked back, defeating the defending champions 15-8. Neither Morlang nor Peck scored in this final match, perhaps out of respect for each other.

"We have two student athletes on our team who competed at the highest level in their sport," said Erin Stewart, who along with fellow Loyola assistant coach Kerri Johnson was in Australia to observe the tournament. "That's amazing."

"Stacey was probably the most integral part of their team as their primary attacker," said Stewart. "She's a phenomenal player. She's

only 18 and she'll be a sophomore for us this year."

"Lauren was a starting attacker for the U.S.," she said. "She's just a freshman, but I think she has the potential to start this year."

Their Loyola teammates have al-

because of what they do."

Morlang and Peck have aspirations of someday again representing their countries in the senior division of the IFWLA World Championships. But with the U-19 tournament and a wicked case

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ready responded to the presence of these two leaders, Stewart said. "They're phenomenal individuals," she said. "I think both of them are leaders even in their youth in terms of their talent and their motivation. They've earned the respect of their team, not just because of what they've said but

of jetlag now behind them, the girls can focus on one common goal: bringing a national championship to Loyola College this spring.

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LOYOLA COLLEGE IN MARYLAND

Greyhounds defeated by Fairfield 2-1 in MAAC final *Men's soccer team ends 13-6-2 season on disappointing note*

by Jeff Zrebiec
Sports Editor

In the MAAC finals played at the Disney Wide World of Sports complex this past weekend, top-seeded Loyola was defeated by the Fairfield Stags 2-1. The loss ended the Greyhounds season with a 13-6-2 record, their best record since the 1995 campaign.

It also ended the Greyhounds hopes of advancing to the NCAA Tournament as the team was beaten in the conference tournament for the third straight season. Fairfield, who lost to Rider in the MAAC Championship game last year, moves on to an NCAA play-in game. Overall, the Greyhounds have not played in the NCAA's since 1993 when they were beaten 2-1 by the Virginia Cavaliers.

Loyola, who had played three games in four days to get to the Championship game, came out of the gates slowly against the Stags. However, they did take the lead about six minutes before halftime.

Senior Christof Lindenmayer, who earlier in the week was named MAAC Player of the Year, dribbled the ball on the end line and dropped it back to unmarked junior Mike

Werle. Werle beat the Fairfield keeper to give the Hounds a 1-0 halftime lead. It was Werle's first goal of the season and the fifth of his career.

With the assist, Lindenmayer finished his remarkable career in 12th place on Loyola's all-time career scoring list. Ironically, he ended his senior season with 10 goals and eight assists, the same total he accumulated in his junior season.

Fairfield came out hot in the second half as they scored two goals in seven minutes, which helped them put away the conference crown. Five minutes after the second half started, freshman Bryan Harkin received a cross from MAAC leading scorer Barry O'Driscoll and beat Loyola keeper Reb Beatty for the equalizer. It was Harkin's fourth goal of the season.

Just seven minutes after the Harkin tally, Fairfield's Rob DeFaveri accepted a long, centering cross and chipped the ball over an outstretched Beatty for his fifth goal of the season. The goal proved to be the game-winner.

Loyola frantically tried to tie the game up but Fairfield packed it in and played tight defense after DeFaveri's goal. All told, the num-

bers reflect the Greyhounds dominance. Loyola fired 19 shots at Fairfield keeper Roger Knoll, but could not get the tying goal by him. The Greyhounds also took 10 corner kicks to Fairfield's two. Meanwhile Beatty, who led the MAAC in winning percentage and goals against average this season, was forced to make nine saves.

The loss ends the career of five Loyola seniors, who had a remarkable impact on the Greyhound soccer program. Lindenmayer, Ed Albanese, Charlie McDoniel, Peter Troilo and Dino Pusinsky finished their Greyhound career with a 44-33-8 record, a MAAC regular-season crown and one MAAC Tournament championship.

In other MAAC Tournament action, Loyola, for the second time this season, defeated Siena 3-0. The Greyhounds beat the Saints earlier this year 2-0 on Sept. 24 to give Coach Bill Sento his 250th win.

Loyola got the only goal they would need when sophomore John Farese found freshman Bill Law in the box. Law, who was waiting in front of the net, put the ball home to give the Greyhounds a 1-0 lead.

The Greyhounds put the game away with 2:30 left in the half when

Lindenmayer, scored to give Loyola a 2-0 lead.

The Greyhound scoring was done when sophomore Mike Nelson converted a great individual effort in the 78th minute to complete the 3-0 win.

In the MAAC quarterfinals, Loyola defeated the Rider Broncs 2-0 on goals by Lindenmayer and Juliano Adriano de Oliveira.

Loyola tallied just 10 minutes into the contest when Lindenmayer was hauled down in the box. He converted on the penalty shot to give the Greyhounds the only goal they would need.

The game remained 1-0 until the lethal combination of Lindenmayer and de Oliveira struck again in the 83rd minute. De Oliveira beat Richardson to give the Hounds an



Loyola redshirt freshman Reb Beatty finished his first season with 13 victories.

photo by Raïna Patrocínio

insurance goal.

Loyola was in danger of losing the shutout when Rider was awarded a penalty shot with 22 seconds left on the clock. However, Beatty made the save to preserve the shutout.

Loyola suffers shootout loss *Team loses in final third straight year*

by Steven Vitolano
Sports Editor

For the third consecutive season, the Greyhounds suffered a heartbreaking defeat at the hands of Fairfield University in the MAAC Tournament final. What made this year's loss doubly painful was that Loyola came up short in a penalty kick shootout, 4-3, on Nov. 7 at Fairfield's Alumni Field.

This MAAC final epitomized the rivalry between the two schools, as they battled through the longest game in tournament history before going to penalty kicks. Senior Mackenzie Bruno fired the shot that propelled the Stags to their third consecutive NCAA tournament berth on the final penalty kick. Her shot eluded junior goalkeeper Julie Kapcala into the lower left-hand side of the goal. Bruno's tournament-clinching tally came after freshman Audra Garuccio was stopped by Anne Lyons, who set a tournament record with eight saves.

In the beginning of the shootout, Fairfield's Pam Cluff and Annie DiPalo matched

goals. Sophomore Nina Tinari stepped up for Loyola and scored, as did Gina Pantuosco for the Stags. On the third kick, sophomore Sarah Lindenmuth missed wide right, and Fairfield's Patrice Bourke converted her kick for a 3-2 lead. Freshman Becky Bieneman scored on Loyola's fourth kick, and Abby Allan hit the post to even the shootout before Bruno and Garuccio decided the contest.

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The game was tied 1-1 at the end of regulation, which was followed by four overtime periods. Senior co-captain Alison Yankanich got the Hounds on the board early, at the 15:47 mark. DiPalo crossed a ball into the box where Tinari found Yankanich with a header. Her second goal of the year provided the Hounds with a 1-0 lead at halftime. Loyola was within 12 minutes of advancing to their first NCAA Tournament but Fairfield answered back at the 77:27 mark. Sophomore Erin Porter took a shot

off a free kick that was tipped in by classmate Pat Mendicino to knot the game at one.

This game goes down officially as a 1-1 tie, ending the Greyhounds season with a mark of 13-4-2. The Stags have gotten the better of Loyola in recent years, defeating the Hounds in three of the last four meetings. The two teams have compiled a 5-5-5 all-time record, with nine of the games going into overtime.

In earlier tournament action, the Greyhounds blanked Marist, 1-0, on Nov. 5. Midfielder Naura Groarke recorded her third goal of the season in the 19th minute and the Loyola defense made it stand. Kapcala picked up her fifth shutout of the season.

Several Greyhounds earned individual honors at the conference awards banquet. Kapcala was named MAAC Goalkeeper of the Year, and Bieneman was voted MAAC Rookie of the Year. These two players accompanied Groarke, Garuccio and senior defender Amy Goetzinger to the First Team All-MAAC, and Lindenmuth was voted to the Second Team All-MAAC.

Injury-ridden Hounds post fifth-place finish

by Sandra Gallagher and Jen Toolan
Staff Writers

On an unseasonably warm Halloween, the Loyola women's cross country team headed to Van Cortland Park for the last time this season.

Facing the fiercest competition in the conference, they were poised for battle in the 1999 MAAC Championships.

Based on their performances in the previous races of the season, the team had higher expectations than the actual results. However, despite nagging injuries, the Greyhounds managed 123 points for a fifth-place finish behind rivals Manhattan and Marist (41 points each), Iona (78), and the Rider Broncs (90).

Sophomore captain Jenn Aversa led the team with a seventh-place finish of 19:53. Her impressive time would never indicate the internal struggle Aversa had been waging during the race due to an extremely low blood pressure.

According to Aversa, "After the big hill before the bridge, I couldn't see, hear, or feel anything. I just crumpled over. A runner from Canisius tried to pull me up, but she didn't realize that I wasn't just stopping, my body had

quit." However, Aversa ignored this problem until after she crossed the finish line. Trainers on the site said they "had never seen anyone finish whose pupils were that dilated."

Freshman Jess Lutkenhouse had a good race, even though she was not satisfied with her time and placement. She finished the course in 20:51, good for 25th place in the race and third out of Loyola runners.

"My placement was decent, especially because I was able to stay with Colleen (McGarvey)," Lutkenhouse said. "I was disappointed with my time, though, because I felt like I had been running a lot faster during the race." The rest of the team generally agreed with Lutkenhouse that their individual times seemed to be off their marks.

Although the NCAA Regionals race at Lehigh next weekend on Nov. 13 is not as important as the MAAC Championships, it will be the final race of the season, so the Hounds have one more chance to finish with a good performance and pull it together.

However, as of now, the injury-ridden team is reduced to five viable runners, the minimum for a full team. Hopefully, they will be able to cap the season with one last successful race.